UNITED STATES

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY

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Dear Mr. Sparks:

The Secretary has had word from Texas,the burden of which is that the use of the word Alamo will be very embarrassing,and the boss has asked me that it be deleted. I have told him that I am sure it will be agreeable. He says that if it is used he is afraid that Dr. Lee won't stand up. He is working on that now; also to get the letter itself which I think will be made easier as soon as you give me assurances that Alamo will not be used.

I have spent three days moving. I am so sore around my middle that I myself am no longer able to move.

If I don't get $150 by Monday - or Tuesday at the latest - I am going to be in serious trouble,I'm afraid. Is there any possibility with you? If it were not so urgent I wouldn't mention it,but I simply have to squeeze out of this spot. I paid $522 to settle the house deal,plus my insurance of $219,moving,etc. I thought it possible that something might be in. I do hope so.

When will you be in Washington? Write or phone me.

Sincerely,

Gropp